

OUR EXCHANGES.

All the water pipes running through the court house broke Sunday and caused considerable trouble. Our plumbers have had their hands full this week. The city board of equalization has caused the usual row by sending out little cards calling upon the recipient to show cause, if any, why his property value should not be raised. The board is composed of D. B. Hoverton, O. W. Rosenberg and O. T. East, three men that are well posted on property values. It may be of interest to our farmers to know that the legislature is trying to assist them in exterminating the boll-weevil. An appropriation of \$5000 has been made for the employing of an expert to investigate the matter and furnish a remedy. The result may not be what is desired, but the legislature is doing all that it can be expected to do.—Hallettsville Herald.

Sheriff Stell today sold under execution out of district court the business property of Bulwer Bros., of Yoakum from which \$2000 was realized. Yoakum National bank, plaintiff in the proceedings, bought it in.—Cuero Star.

In planning the farm work for the coming season let the feed crops have a big place and arrange to have live stock to grow and fatten on them. Few farmers can be prosperous unless they have stock of some kind to bring them money. Texas must become a stock farming state, and finish its stock for slaughter before the people of the state realize all they should of their opportunities. H. B. Shiner has bought for use on his McMullen county ranch three registered bull calves which were raised by Col. T. C. Frost near this city. The price paid was \$50 per head for two of the calves and \$200 for the third. Col. Frost is one of the few men in the south who can boast of having a herd of registered cattle fine enough to make his eight-month-old bull calves worth this price.—Stock and Farm Journal.

It was thought for a while that Gene Egan, as a result of the court-martial, would receive punishment, inasmuch as the court found him guilty of conduct unbecoming an officer and gentleman. On the contrary, he was rewarded with a sinecure, for whereas he performed certain duties for which he received a large salary, under the judgment of the court as revised by the President, he will continue to draw his salary without any service being required of him; and then he will be retired on half pay for the rest of his life. If this is a punishment for a high crime, who would not wish to be a criminal?—Texas Farm and Ranch.

A Editor's Life Saved by Chamberlain's Cough Remedy.

During the early part of October, 1896, I contracted a bad cold which settled on my lungs and was neglected until I feared that consumption had appeared in an incipient state. I was constantly coughing and trying to expel something which I could not. I became alarmed and after giving the local doctor a trial bought a bottle of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy and the result was immediate improvement, and after I had used three bottles my lungs were restored to their healthy state.—J. S. Edwards, Publisher of the Review, Weant, Ill. For sale by all druggists.

Annals of Washington's birthday we give the following:

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"Fruit trees?"
"Yes, sir, fruit trees. They have got three great men in trouble so far."

"Who are the men?"
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